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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1733  
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q64042

Kazunori KANEDA

Appln. No.: 09/832,825

Group Art Unit: 1733

Confirmation No.: 1925

Examiner: J. FISCHER

Filed: April 12, 2001

For: TIRE REINFORCING MEMBER AND REINFORCED PNEUMATIC TIRE

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

**REMARKS**

Claims 2 and 16 are pending in the application.

Claims 2 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Mori, JP 08027333, and further in view of Fukumoto, JP 61060302.

Additionally, claim 16 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Mori and Fukumoto as applied in claim 2 above and further in view of Kobayashi, Nosu, and the Admitted Prior Art (Page 5, lines 13-15).